

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 15, 19, 22, 25, and 26.

Please amend claims 1, 14, 16, 20, 21, 23 and 24 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A cover for a safety restraint device for use in a vehicle, the cover comprising:

a face portion capable of being positioned between the safety restraint device and an interior compartment of the vehicle, the face portion comprising an exterior side facing away from the safety restraint device;


a seam formed in the face portion, the seam comprising a nonlinear portion having a first end and a second end, the nonlinear portion comprising a plurality of bends in consecutively alternating directions; and

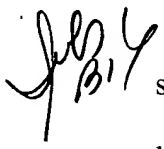
an outer layer affixed to the exterior side of the face portion.


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14. (Amended) The cover of claim 1, wherein the face portion is formed by single-shot construction, and wherein the face portion operates exclusive of the outer layer.

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16. (Amended) A cover for a safety restraint device for use in a vehicle, the cover comprising:

a face portion positionable between the safety-restraint device and an interior compartment of the vehicle, the face portion comprising an exterior side facing away from the safety restraint device;


~~a seam formed in the face portion, the seam comprising a nonlinear portion, the~~
nonlinear portion comprising a plurality of bends in consecutively alternating directions,
the bends being adjacent to each other and substantially exclusive of any linear segment
therebetween; and
an outer layer affixed to the exterior side of the face portion.


~~20. (Amended) The cover of claim 18, wherein the face portion is formed by~~
single-shot construction, and wherein the face portion operates exclusive of the outer
layer.


21. (Amended) A cover for a safety restraint device for use in a vehicle, the cover
comprising:

a face portion positionable between the safety restraint device and an interior
compartment of the vehicle, the face portion comprising an exterior side facing away
from the safety restraint device; and

a seam formed in the face portion, the seam comprising:

a nonlinear portion having a first end and a second end, the
nonlinear portion comprising a plurality of bends in consecutively
alternating directions, the bends being adjacent to each other and
substantially exclusive of any linear segment therebetween;

a first side portion adjacent and substantially perpendicular to the
first end of the nonlinear portion, the first side portion being substantially
linear; and

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~~a second side portion adjacent and substantially perpendicular to
the second end of the nonlinear portion, the second side portion being
substantially linear; and
an outer layer affixed to the exterior side of the face portion.~~

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~~23. (Amended) The cover of claim 21, wherein the face portion is formed by
single-shot construction, and wherein the face portion operates exclusive of the outer
layer.~~

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24. (Amended) A method for making a cover for a safety restraint device for use
in a vehicle, the method comprising:

providing a face portion adapted to be installed between the safety restraint device
and an interior compartment of the vehicle, the face portion comprising an exterior side
facing away from the safety restraint device;

forming a seam in the face portion, the seam having a nonlinear portion with a
first end and a second end, the nonlinear portion comprising a plurality of bends in
consecutively alternating directions; and

~~affixing an outer layer to the face portion, over the seam.~~

Please add the following claims:

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~~30. (New) A cover for a safety restraint device for use in a vehicle, the cover
comprising:~~

~~a face portion capable of being positioned between the safety restraint device and~~
an interior compartment of the vehicle, the face portion comprising an exterior side
facing away from the safety restraint device; and

a seam formed in the face portion, the seam comprising a nonlinear portion
having a first end and a second end, the nonlinear portion comprising at least four bends
in consecutively alternating directions.

31. (New) The cover of claim 30, further comprising an outer layer affixed to the
exterior side of the face portion.

32. (New) The cover of claim 30, wherein the nonlinear portion further
comprises at least two pairs of bends, each pair comprising two bends oriented in the
same direction, the pairs oriented in consecutively alternating directions.

33. (New) The cover of claim 30, wherein the face portion is formed by single-
shot construction and wherein the face portion operates exclusive of an outer layer.

34. (New) The cover of claim 33, wherein the seam is further formed in an
interior side of the face portion, the interior side facing toward the safety restraint device,
and wherein the exterior side of the face portion comprises a cosmetic surface.